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TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD ROUTINE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI, IR, PK

SUBJECT: LOCKHEED QUERY RE U-2 SALES

1. LOCKHEED OFFICIALS HAVE TOLD US THAT FIRM WAS RECENTLY APPROACHED BY IRANIAN EMBASSY OFFICIAL HERE CONCERNING AVAILABILITY OF U-2 FOR IRAN. THIS QUERY, THEY SAID, FOLLOWED INDICATION OF INTEREST ABOUT 3-4 MONTHS AGO WHEN COMPANY OFFICIAL WAS IN TEHRAN. AT THAT TIME, THEY SAID, PAKS IN ISLAMABAD HAD RAISED QUESTION OF U-2 AVAILABILITY. THREE OTHER COUNTRIES WERE ALSO INTERESTED, THEY CLAIMED.

2. OFFICIALS HAVE REQUESTED CIA VIEWS ON RELEASE OF U-2 TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND ASKED FOR DEPARTMENT POSITION.

3. SINCE WE HAVE NOT FOUND IRANIANS OR PAKS IN PAST SHY OR RELUCTANT TO PRESENT US WITH MORE FORMAL REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ON AVAILABILITY OF MILITARY ITEMS, WE ARE CURIOUS AND SOMEWHAT SUSPICIOUS THAT FIRM IS TAKING INI-  
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TIATIVE ON THIS MATTER. RELEASE OF U-2 TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES

RAISES NUMBER OF OBVIOUSLY SENSITIVE ISSUES AND WOULD  
REQUIRE CONSIDERABLE INTERDEPARTMENTAL EVALUATION AND POLICY  
CONSIDERATION. BEFORE WE GET THIS PROCESS UNDER WAY, WE  
WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS WHETHER IRAN OR PAKISTAN HAVE  
SHOWN BONA FIDE INTEREST OR WHETHER LOCKHEED IS BEATING  
THE BUSHES FOR BUSINESS AND PUTTING MOST OPTIMISTIC  
INTERPRETATION ON MILD SIGNS OF INTEREST BY IRANIANS AND  
PAKS. POSTS ARE REQUESTED NOT REPEAT NOT TO RAISE U-2  
QUESTION WITH HOST GOVT OFFICIALS. INGERSOLL

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